#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

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) Case No :	FILED: JUNE 3, 2008			
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) Judge )	JUDGE HART MAGISTRATE JUDGE KEYS			
) Magistrate Ju	ndge			
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#### **COMPLAINT**

Plaintiffs, TRUSTEES OF THE SUBURBAN TEAMSTERS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS WELFARE AND PENSION FUNDS ("Funds"), by their attorneys, John J. Toomey, of Arnold and Kadjan, complain against Defendant, PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, as follows:

#### **COUNT I**

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 1. (a) Jurisdiction of this cause is based upon Section 502 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, 29 U.S.C. Section 1132 ("ERISA") and 29 U.S.C. 1145 as amended.
- (b) Venue is founded pursuant to 29 U.S.C. Section 1132(e) (2) in this district, where the Fund as described in Paragraph 2, is administered.

#### **PARTIES**

- 2. (a) Plaintiffs are the TRUSTEES OF THE SUBURBAN TEAMSTERS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS WELFARE AND PENSION FUNDS ("Funds") and have standing to sue pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 1132(a)(3).
- (b) The SUBURBAN TEAMSTERS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS WELFARE AND PENSION FUNDS have been established pursuant to collective bargaining agreement previously entered into between the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and its affiliated locals ("the Union") and Employers;
- The Funds are maintained and administered in accordance with and (c) pursuant to the provisions of the National Labor Relations Act, as amended, and other applicable state and federal laws, and also pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Agreements and Declarations of Trust which establish the Funds.
- 3. PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, employs persons (a) represented by the Union and is bound to make contributions for weeks worked by all employees and upon subcontractors who perform work which would otherwise be performed by employees.
- (b) PAGE CARTAGE, INC., is a dissolved Illinois corporation, with its principal place of business at Flossmoor, Illinois.
- PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, is an employer (c) engaged in an industry affecting commerce.
- 4. PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, entered into an Area Construction Agreement for the period beginning October 2, 2006 through the present with Teamsters 179 which require contributions to the Funds pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 1145.

- 5. Pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement between PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, and the Union, PAGE CARTAGE, INC., has failed and continues to fail to make its obligated contributions to the Fund for the period October, 2006 through June. 2007, as disclosed in an audit which took place on August 8, 2007.
- 6. The audit disclosed \$2,755.51 due the Pension Fund and \$3,643.48 due the Welfare Fund for a total of \$6,398.99.
- 7. Defendant, JIMMY PAGE, JR. is the President of PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation.
- 8. On January 3, 2008 the corporation entered into an installment note (attached as Exhibit B) with the Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois Welfare Fund for the payment of October, 2006 through June, 2007 delinquent contributions in the principal amount of \$3,673.37 with a balance remaining of \$2,777.99 for the payment of delinquent benefit contributions (Exhibit C payment schedule).
- 9. On January 3, 2008 the corporation entered into an installment note (attached as Exhibit D) with the Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois Pension Fund for the payment of October, 2006 through June, 2007 delinquent contributions in the principal amount of \$2,777.99 with a balance remaining of \$2,100.85 for the payment of delinquent benefit contributions (Exhibit E payment schedule).
- 10. The notes acknowledge on their face that they are a written agreement and constitutes an instrument in writing upon which contributions are due pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 1145.
- 11. The corporation failed to make the initial installment payments due February 28, 2008 and after notice of default, has failed to cure the delinquency which as provided on the face of the note is a basis for acceleration of the entire debt.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, prays for judgment against the Defendant, PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, as follows:

- A. The Court enter judgment in favor of the Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois Welfare Fund and against PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, in the amount of \$2,777.99 the accelerated outstanding balance due on the Welfare installment note (Exhibits B and C).
- B. The Court enter judgment in favor of the Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois Pension Fund and against PAGE CARTAGE, INC., a dissolved Illinois corporation, in the amount of \$2,100.85 the accelerated outstanding balance due on the Pension installment note (Exhibits D and E)
- C. The Court grant the Funds all relief permitted under 29 U.S.C. 1132(g)(2) including liquidated damages, interest and reasonable attorneys fees.
- D. The Court, pursuant to the terms of the notes, grant the Funds the principal amounts of the welfare and pension notes plus interest and all reasonable costs of collection, including reasonable attorneys fees.
- E. The Court grant the Plaintiff Funds injunctive relief to prevent disbursement of assets or payment of other creditors prior to payment of current delinquent and note payments.

#### **COUNT II**

#### JIMMY PAGE, JR.

- 1. This Count arises from a common nucleus of operative fact with Count II and is pendent thereto. This Court has supplemental jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1367
- 2-11. Plaintiffs restate and reallege Paragraphs 1-11 of Count I as Paragraphs 2-11 of Count II as if fully set forth herein.

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- 12. JIMMY PAGE, JR. signed the promissory note individually in his personal capacity, as an additional maker on the Welfare Fund installment note (Exhibit B) and Pension Fund installment note (Exhibit D). JIMMY PAGE, JR. is an adult, suffers from no mental infirmities and is literate.
- 13. The notes are in default as of February 28, 2008 having failed to make the February 28, 2008 installment payments. Notice of default was made upon the corporation and individual defendant.
- 14. The Defendant corporation lacks the present ability to pay its fringe benefit debt and demand has been made for payment.
- 15. The remaining balance due the Welfare Fund on the note is \$2,777.99 plus interest and attorneys fees and cost of collection as provided in the terms of the note.
- 16. The remaining balance due the Pension Fund on the note is \$2,100.85, plus interest and attorneys fees and cost of collection as provided in the terms of the note.
- 17. JIMMY PAGE, JR., Individually as co-maker and guarantor on the notes is personally liable for the debt.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment against JIMMY PAGE, JR., Individually as follows:

- A. That the Court enter judgment in favor of the Plaintiff Welfare Fund and against JIMMY PAGE, JR., Individually in the amount of \$2,777.99 the accelerated balance on the Welfare note (Exhibit B).
- B. That the Court enter judgment in favor of the Plaintiff Pension Fund and against JIMMY PAGE, JR., Individually in the amount of \$2,100.85, the accelerated balance on the Pension note (Exhibit D).

- C. That the Court pursuant to the terms of the promissory note grant the Plaintiff Funds the principal amount of the note plus interest and all reasonable costs of collection including reasonable attorneys fees.
  - D. That the Court grant such other relief as is appropriate under the circumstances

TRUSTEES OF THE SUBURBAN TEAMSTERS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS WELFARE AND PENSION FUNDS

One of Its Attorneys

John J. Toomey ARNOLD AND KADJAN 19 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604 (312) 236-0415

# EXHIBIT A

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# General Chauffeurs, Sales Drivers and Helpers 1000 N.E. I



Local Union No. 179

Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters

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MAIN OFFICE: 1000 N. E. 1-55 FRONTAGE RD. JOLIET, ILLINOIS BO431 PHONE (815) 741-2200 FAX (815) 741-2278

SUB OFFICE: SHERMAN & LADD PONTIAC, ILLINOIS 61784 PHONE: (815) 844-5094

Suburban Teamsters Fringe Benefits - Compliance Dept.

1275 W. Roosevelt Road, #121

West Chicago, IL 60185

November 9, 2006

Re: NEW EMPLOYER

To:

Company Name: Page Cartage, Inc.

Mailing Address: 242 Cove Dr., Flossmoor, IL 60422

Phone: 708-516-7633

Company Officer: Jimmy Page, Jr. Company Contact Same As Above

Collective Bargaining Agreement (enclosed):

Type of contract: CON

Date signed: 10/02/06

Initial Contribution Rates:

Effective date: 6/1/06

6/1/07

6/1/08

Welfare: \$5.50

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Pension: \$155.00

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Participants (attach sheet with additional names):

Name: Stephen Watson

SSN: 320-72-8463

Name: Michael Buckner

SSN: 358-54-7125

Name:

SSN:

### EXHIBIT B

# SLBURBAN TEAMSTERS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS FRINGE BENEFITS

#### Page Cartage, Inc. : Welfare Fund January 4. 2008

For value received, the undersigned promises to pay to the order of Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois Welfere Fund the principal total of \$3,673.37 ( Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Three and 37/100 dollars.)

The maker of this Note acknowledges that the above indebtedness represents fringe benefit contributions and other costs and charges due and owing pursuant to applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income and Security Act 29 U.S.C. 1145. For contributions due for the period October, 2006 through June, 2007.

The Employer shall make a down payment of \$918.34 on January 4, 2008, leaving a principal balance of \$ 2,755.83. That balance is to be paid with 10% annual interest in 12 equal and consecutive monthly installments of \$ 242.21 beginning on January 30, 2008. Payments should be sent to:

Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois 1275 W. Roosevelt Rd. Unit 121 West Chicago, IL 60185

Or such other place as may be directed by the legal holder of this Note.

The Employer is to remain current in regular monthly contributions. Failure to do so will be considered a default, causing the remaining unpaid Note balance to become immediately due and

The undersigned hereby irrevocably authorizes any attorney of any court of record to appear for the undersigned in such court, in term time or vacation, at any time after default in the payment of any installment of the principal hereof, and confess judgment without process in favor of the payee or holder of this Note for the unpaid amount, together with costs of collection including reasonable attorney's fees, and to waive and release all errors which may intervene in such proceedings, and consent to immediate execution upon such judgment, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney may do by virtue hereof.

All parties hereto severally waive presentment for payment, notice of dishonor and protest.

Jimmy Page Jr., President Page Carrage, Inc.

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# **EXHIBIT C**

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# SUBURBAN TEAMSTERS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS FRINGE BENEFITS

#### Page Cartage, Inc.: Pension Fund January 4, 2008

For value received, the undersigned promises to pay to the order of Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois Pension Fund the principal total of \$2,777.99 ( Two Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Seven and 99/100 dollars.)

The maker of this Note acknowledges that the above indebtedness represents fringe benefit contributions and other costs and charges due and owing pursuant to applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income and Security Act 29 U.S.C. 1145. For contributions due for the period October, 2006 through June, 2007.

The Employer shall make a down payment of \$694.50 on January 4, 2008, leaving a principal balance of \$2,083.49. That balance is to be paid with 10% annual interest in 12 equal and consecutive monthly installments of \$163.17 beginning on January 30, 2008. Payments should be sent to:

Suburban Teamsters of Northern Illinois 1275 W. Roosevelt Rd. Unit 121 West Chicago, IL 60185

Or such other place as may be directed by the legal holder of this Note.

The Employer is to remain current in regular monthly contributions. Failure to do so will be considered a default, causing the remaining unpaid Note balance to become immediately due and payable.

The undersigned hereby irrevocably authorizes any attorney of any court of record to appear for the undersigned in such court, in term time or vacation, at any time after default in the payment of any installment of the principal hereof, and confess judgment without process in favor of the payee or holder of this Note for the unpaid amount, together with costs of collection including reasonable attorney's fees, and to waive and release all errors which may intervene in auch proceedings, and consent to immediate execution upon such judgment, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney may do by virtue hereof.

All parties hereto severally waive presentment for payment, notice of dishonor and protest.

Jimmy Page Jr., President

Date: 1/8/08

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### **EXHIBIT D**

#### Page Cartage, Inc.

Er# 4716

#### Welfare Fund

PRINCIPAL TOTAL: \$ (3,673.37)

DOWN PYMT: \$918.34

Date: January 4, 2008

Ck#: 1245

PRINC BALANCE:

(\$2,755.03)

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NMBR PYMNTS:

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MNTHLY PYMT:

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4	04/30/08	2,109.21	242.21	224.78	1,867.00	4			
5	05/30/08	1,882.55	242.21	226.65	1,640.34	5			
6	06/30/08	1,654.01	242.21	228.54	1,411.80	6			
7	07/30/08	1,423.57	242.21	230.45	1,181.36	7			
8	08/30/08	1,191.20	242.21	232.37	948.99	8			
9	09/30/08	956.90	242.21	234.30	714.69	9			
10	10/30/08	720.64	242.21	236.25	477.6	10			
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## EXHIBIT E

#### Page Cartage, Inc.

Er# 4716

#### Pension Fund

PRINCIPAL TOTAL: \$ (2,777.99)

DOWN PYMT: \$694.50

Date: January 4, 2008

CK#: 1246

PRINC BALANCE: (\$2

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NMBR PYMNTS:

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MNTHLY PYMT:

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4	04/30/08	1,595.09	183.17	169.99	1,411.91	3			
5	05/30/08	1,423.68	183.17	171.41	1,240.51	4			
6	06/30/08	1,250.85	183.17	172.83	1,067.67	5			
7	07/30/08	1,076.57	183.17	174.27	893.40	6			
8	08/30/08	900.84	183.17	175.73	717.67	7			
9	09/30/08	723.65	183.17	177.19	540.48	8			
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